

REMARKS

Claims 1-6 and 12 were allowed and claims 7-10 were rejected based on § 112.

Upon entry of this amendment, claims 1-62 will be pending.

Claims 1-10 and 12 have been amended for reasons other than patentability. Specifically, the transition of claim 1 has been amended and the preambles of claims 2-10 and 12 have been modified. These amendments were made to clarify the claims and were not made to overcome any rejections under the Patent Law.

As suggested by the Examiner, the subject matter of original claims 7-10 has been added to the specification to provide enablement for the claims. Therefore, claims 7-10 should be allowable.

The subject matter of original claim 11 has also been added to the specification. Therefore, claim 11 should be allowable.

New claims 13-29 are directed to the margarine and spread fat blend and its method of manufacture.

New claims 30-46 are directed to the trans free hard structural fat at its method of manufacture.

New claims 47-62 are directed to a hard palm oil fraction and its method of manufacture. It may be noted that new claim 59 is similar to allowed claim 6, however, new claim 59 recites a C16 carbon chain residue level of greater than 70%.

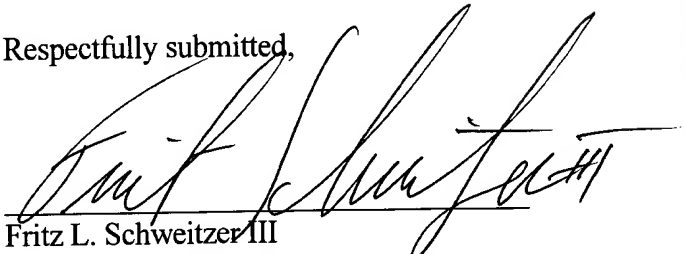
The newly presented claims are enabled by the specification as amended and do not amount to the addition of new matter.

In light of the above, the applicant respectfully requests that the pending claims be reconsidered and allowed.

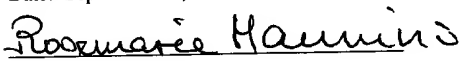
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